



# THOMAS MACLAREN SCHOOL

April 1, 2024

Dear MacLaren families,

I hope you all had a wonderful spring break. April is here, and we are only a few weeks away from state testing. This email is to remind you that the schedule changes significantly April 16-19.

Please find the schedules and reminders below:

- [Schedule by Date](#)
- [Schedule by Grade](#)
- **Monday, April 15:** This is a normal school day with **Friday dismissal** schedule for all students.
- **K-2nd grade:** K-2nd graders will have a normal school day on **Monday and Tuesday with Friday dismissal schedule**, and have a **half-day Wednesday through Friday** while the rest of the school is testing. On these half days, no lunch is served. Students should bring a substantial snack.
- **When not testing:** Students in grades 3-12 who do not have an assigned assessment will be given projects or assignments to finish at home. Instructions will be coming from the appropriate teachers and Heads of School. Juniors and seniors also have additional orchestra and drama rehearsals.
- **Drop-off time:** Unless otherwise noted, drop-off time is the same for all students. Adjusted pick-up times are noted on the schedule above.
- **Parent Refusal:** Parents have the right to opt their children out of state assessments. Please see our [Parent Refusal Policy here](#); note that parents must fill out one [Parent Refusal Form](#) per child. As a courtesy to the school, if you **plan on opting out, please send these in as soon as possible.**
- **Families of 9-11<sup>th</sup> graders:** Please be on the lookout for reminders from Dr. Holiday about setting up College Board accounts before testing week.

If you have questions about state testing, please contact your Head of School.

Sincerely,  
Mary Faith Hall

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